

Kentucky Postsecondary Education Fact Sheet

Barren County



General Population Data

| | County | State | US |
|--|----------|-----------|-------------|
| Total population | 38,033 | 4,041,769 | 281,421,906 |
| Median household income | \$31,240 | \$33,672 | \$41,994 |
| Percent living in poverty | 15.6% | 14.3% | 11.9% |
| Percent eligible for Medicaid | 19.4% | 17.5% | N/A |
| Estimated percent who do not have medical insurance | 13.5% | 13.3% | 14.2% |
| Percent of registered voters who voted in the November 2004 election | 62.5% | 64.7% | 88.7% |
| Unemployment rate 2004 | 4.2% | 5.3% | 5.5% |

Highest Level of Education

| | | | |
|---|-------|-------|-------|
| Less than a high school diploma or GED | 30.1% | 25.8% | 20.3% |
| High school diploma or equivalent | 40.9% | 33.4% | 28.6% |
| Bachelor's degree or above | 10.3% | 15.6% | 22.3% |
| Number of additional bachelor's degree holders needed in this county for it to be at the US average | | | 3,471 |

College Readiness

| | County | State |
|--|--------|-------|
| Average ACT Score | 21.5 | 20.9 |
| Percent underprepared in one or more academic subjects | 37.4% | 48.2% |
| Percent underprepared in math | 25.2% | 34.7% |
| Percent underprepared in English | 23.7% | 24.5% |

Educational Pipeline

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|--|-------|
| Public high school graduates in 2004 | 424 |
| Kentucky Adult Education enrollments in fiscal 2005 | 1,590 |
| GEDs awarded in fiscal 2005 | 43 |
| Number of students from this county who entered postsecondary education in Fall 2004 | 315 |
| Number of students from this county who earned a bachelor's degree in 2004-05 | 149 |

Notes:

Total population, median household income, percent living in poverty, and estimated percent who do not have medical insurance are all from the 2000 US Census.

Percent eligible for Medicaid is based on unpublished 2005 eligibility data from the Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Department for Medicaid Services, and US census data.

Percent of registered voters who voted in the November 2004 election is from the State Board of Elections.

Unemployment rate 2004 is from the Kentucky Office of Employment and Training.

Employment by Sector information is 2004 data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics. The self-employed and certain other workers are not included, and some data have been withheld due to BLS confidentiality rules.

Employment by Sector

| | County | State |
|---|--------|---------|
| Agriculture, Mining & Other Nat. Resources | 83 | 26,378 |
| Manufacturing & Construction | 6,177 | 346,875 |
| Retail, Wholesale, Transportation & Utilities | 3,185 | 368,755 |
| Finance, Professional & Business Services | 1,948 | 276,576 |
| Education & Health Services | 2,240 | 210,961 |
| Government | 2,142 | 289,987 |
| Leisure, Hospitality and Other Services | 1,966 | 206,240 |

Undergraduate Enrollments

| Institution | Alumni | Fall 2004 Enrollment |
|---------------------------------------|--------|----------------------|
| University of Kentucky | 406 | 74 |
| University of Louisville | 131 | 29 |
| Eastern Kentucky University | 169 | 22 |
| Kentucky State University | 6 | 3 |
| Morehead State University | 26 | 6 |
| Murray State University | 46 | 10 |
| Northern Kentucky University | 18 | 2 |
| Western Kentucky University | 1,576 | 936 |
| Kentucky Comm. & Tech. College System | 477 | 380 |
| Independent Colleges & Universities | 399 | 99 |
| Total from this county | 3,254 | 1,561 |

Financial Aid to Students from This County

| Financial Aid Type | # Awards | Dollars |
|--|----------|-------------|
| Federal Pell Awards | 624 | \$1,467,613 |
| Federal Loans | 643 | \$3,010,692 |
| Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarships | 606 | \$837,566 |
| State Need Based Grants | 449 | \$591,418 |

Highest Level of Education information is from the 2000 US Census for those aged 18 and older.

College Readiness information is based on ACT or equivalent scores by 2001 and 2002 high school graduates who entered a Kentucky postsecondary institution in Fall 2002.

Public high school graduates in 2004 is from the Kentucky Department of Education.

Kentucky Adult Education enrollments in fiscal 2005 and GEDs awarded in fiscal 2005 are from Kentucky Adult Education.

Financial Aid to Students information is from the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority.

All other information is from the Council on Postsecondary Education.



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